

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: TSPA, UR, US  
SUBJECT: EXCHANGE OF ASTP MEDALLIONS (04.06.00)

REF: STATE 307472

1. IN DISCUSSION WITH SCICOUNS DECEMBER 22 VERESHCHETIN PROFESSED NO KNOWLEDGE ABOUT EXCHANGE OF COMMEMORATIVE MEDALLIONS. IT WAS HIS RECOLLECTION THAT DURING ASTP PLANNING DISCUSSIONS THE U.S. HAD ASKED FOR PIECES OF SOYUZ SPACECRAFT TO MINT THE MEDALLIONS, AND THAT THE SOVIETS HAD SUBSEQUENTLY SUPPLIED THESE PIECES. HE ALSO NOTED THE SOVIETS HAD PROVIDED THE U.S. 100 MEDALLIONS MINTED BY INTERKOSMOS (NOT FROM PIECES OF SPACECRAFT) AND THAT NO RECIPROCITY WAS REQUESTED. VERESHCHETIN SAID HE WOULD INQUIRE WITHIN INTERKOSMOS REGARDING THE EXCHANGE OF MEDALLIONS AND PROMISED A DEFINITIVE REPLY WITHIN SEVERAL DAYS.

2. WE HAVE NO RECORD OF AGREEMENT TO EXCHANGE MEDALLIONS WITHIN OUR FILES, AND WOULD APPRECIATE BACKGROUND ON THIS MATTER, IN PARTICULAR WHETHER THERE WAS ANY WRITTEN DOCUMENTATION.  
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